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SUBJ: COMPARISON BETWEEN TAIWANESE AND KOREAN MUSHROOM ARRANGEMENTS

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1. WE BELIEVE THAT THE RESTRAINT AGREED TO BY THE ROK (REPORTED SEPTTEL) PROPERLY BALANCES THAT AGREED TO BY THE ROC. MR. SHAO, DEPUTY DIRGEN, BOARD OF FOREIGN TRADE, AGREED THAT NO ADVANTAGES BE GIVEN TO ROK THAT COULD NOT BE GIVEN TO THE ROC. THE FIGURES BELOW SHOULD SATISFY ANY CONCERNS HE HAS.

2. COMPARATIVE FIGURES FOR ROC AND ROK:

MILLION POUNDS (DRAINED WEIGHT)

	KOREA	TAIWAN
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CROP YEAR

75/76	18.0	36.1
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76/77	18.0-18.5 (A)	36.2 (EST) (B)
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FIRST HALF OF

1975	7.6	17.5
1976	11.7	18.5
1977	7.0-8.0 (EST) (C)	19.0

(A) THE RANGE REPRESENTS A SHIPPING TIME ERROR FACTOR OF 500,000 LBS.

(B) WE ESTIMATED FIRST HALF OF CROP YEAR 1976/77 ARRIVALS AT 17.2 MILLION LBS. WHICH IS BASED ON ROC ESTIMATES OF 35.3 MILLION LBS FOR CY76.

(C) THIS RANGE REFLECTS UNCERTAINTY IN TIMING OF SHIPMENT OF THE NEXT KOREAN CROP.
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